

United States Government
FY 02 Trade Capacity Building Assistance (\$US)
AZERBAIJAN

Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	FY 02 Total
200180026B - WTO Accession	TDA assisted the Government of Azerbaijan in their WTO accession process. Funded and implemented by Trade Development Agency.	WTO Accession	1,002,453
Agro-Input Market Development in Azerbaijan	The International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC) is working to increase trade of appropriate fertilizers, crop protection products, feed, and other agricultural inputs. Through association development and training of agro-input dealers, the project enables Azerbaijan's agricultural producers to better access input needs and identify vendors. The project also organizes farmers with similar procurement needs and facilitates the import of inputs. Funded and implemented by USAID/Azerbaijan.	Business Services & Training	437,500
		Trade-Related Agriculture	1,312,500
		Activity Total	1,750,000
Azerbaijan Rural Credit	The project is establishing a rural cooperative credit system in Azerbaijan to support the growth of private agriculture. The project also offers consulting and business development services. The project works closely with similar activities in the Caucasus to identify trade opportunities for clients. In FY02, the project will disburse more than \$2 million in credit to agricultural producers. NOTE: The funding for this activity as a whole is \$1,713,539 in FY02. The amount estimated to be related to trade capacity building is the \$900,000 reported above. Funded and implemented by USAID/Azerbaijan.	Trade-Related Agriculture	900,000
Banking Supervision	The project will work to enhance the capacity of the Central Bank to properly supervise the commercial banking sector. The project will also assist the Central Bank in further consolidation of the banking sector, enabling surviving banks to increase their lending activities to SME's. NOTE: The funding for this activity as a whole is \$1,300,000 in FY02. The amount estimated to be related to trade capacity building is the \$400,000 reported above. Funded and implemented by USAID/Azerbaijan.	Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance	400,000
Central Area Economic Opportunities	The project works with local producers to bring agricultural products to international standards and facilitate the transfer of appropriate production technologies. The project collects and disseminates market and trade information for the agricultural sector. The project is also coordinating with the Ministry of Agriculture in establishing food-testing laboratories and training officials in WTO sanitary and phyto-sanitary standards. Funded and implemented by USAID/Azerbaijan.	Export Promotion	60,000
		Business Services & Training	240,000
		Trade-Related Agriculture	300,000
		Activity Total	600,000

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Commercial Law Assessment	This activity is co-funded and co-implemented by the Office of Market Transition in USAID/W. The assessment will analyze several areas relevant to improving the business environment in Azerbaijan including trade law, foreign direct investment, and contracts. The assessment may be the basis for a potential commercial/trade law program. Funded and implemented by USAID/Azerbaijan.	Competition Policy & Foreign Investment	60,000
Community Employment and Economic Opportunities	The project provides business and technical training to entrepreneurs and craftspeople. The activity also works on improving the quality of locally-produced goods and identifying trade opportunities for businesspeople. Funded and implemented by USAID/Azerbaijan.	Export Promotion	40,000
		Business Services & Training	160,000
		Activity Total	200,000
Grants to Local NGOs - Eurasia Foundation	Of the nearly \$1,000,000 obligated to the Eurasia Foundation in FY02 for grants, approximately \$120,000 was provided to organizations working to increase the capacity of Azerbaijan in trade promotion. Grants were made in areas such as development of an electronic data base with customs- and other trade-related legal and regulatory documents, providing consulting and training services to start-up exporters and importers, assistance in conducting trade forecasts and marketing and disseminating the results, and discussion of opportunities and challenges of WTO accession. Funded and implemented by USAID/Azerbaijan.	Customs Operation & Administration	30,000
		Export Promotion	54,000
		Business Services & Training	24,000
		Regional Trade Agreements (RTA)	12,000
		Activity Total	120,000
Rule of Law Development	The activity works with the Constitutional Court, Economics Court, and Ministry of Justice to increase the capacity of legislators and judges to draft legislation and enforce the code consistently, as well as bringing reform to the legal profession. The project provides commentaries on key pieces of commercial code and raises awareness about how the codes may affect the business and trade environment in Azerbaijan. NOTE: The funding for this activity as a whole is \$741,000 in FY02. The amount estimated to be related to trade capacity building is the \$350,000 reported above Funded and implemented by USAID/Azerbaijan.	Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord.	350,000
FY02 Total USG Trade Capacity Building Assistance to AZERBAIJAN			5,382,453